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may we QUOTE you on that?



[1] Vice Pres RICHARD M NIXON, on failure of 1st U S satellite launching: "We need to get behind our scientific people and give them more than just financial support. Let's get away from our weeping walls. We've got work to do. Let's get on with it like Americans." . . . [2] Sen CLINTON P ANDERSON (D-NM), alternate chmn, U S Congressional Comm on Atomic Energy, commenting on failure of Vanguard satellite: "We just tried to show off." . . . [3] JAS C HAGERTY, White House Press Sec'y, shrugging off rumors Pres may resign due to ill health: "It is remarkable how many people there are that don't know anything about the President's case who are remarking on it." . . . [4] DAG HAMMARSKJOLD, Sec'y-Gen'l UN, ret'g from 7-day mission in the Middle East, expressing confidence that Arab-Israeli armistice is reasonably stable: "I got what I wanted. I accomplished

what I hoped to accomplish." . . . [5] Adm HYMAN G RICKOVER, chief, naval reactors branch, Atomic Energy Commission: "Nothing short of a complete reorganization of American education, preceded by a revolutionary reversal of educational aims, can equip us for winning the educational race with the Russians." . . . [6] Ex-Pres HERBERT HOOVER: "If this nation is not to degenerate intellectually and lose its strength . . . the school bds, taxpayers and parent-teacher ass'ns had better wake up." . . . [7] ADLAI E STEVENSON, on future U S policies: "There is going to have to be some belt-tightening, some more self-sacrifice and some political courage on both (Republican and Democratic) sides of the fence."

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moving finger



. . . for they are dead which sought the young child's life.

In a land where anxieties abound, a land where problems and perplexities multiply and tribulation stands transiently triumphant, it may seem a mockery to echo the whisperings of a herald angel.

And yet, not so. For into the car of Joseph, God's messenger poured hope for a weary world—a world, like our own, sickened with the tensions of the times.

Today new Herods are in the headlines. But theirs is a sterile, unrewarding philosophy tracing to the doom of the tomb. In the presence of these enemies, scorning

their arms and artifices, walks unscathed the Man of Galilee, as he has walked the shadowy wraiths of twenty centuries, fortified by God's gift of eternal life.

. . . for they are dead which sought the young child's life.

The Spirit of Christmas says they are dead. It says so in each chanted carol, in each shining star. It says so in the radiant faces and happy hearts of a multitude of blessed believers.

Ah, yes, they are dead which sought the life of a young child born to bear the hope of a world without end. They are *dead*:

And in our hearts the Babe of Bethlehem lives on.



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'He who never quotes. is never quoted'

Charles Haddon Spurgeon



ACTION—1

You remind me of an irritated individual trying desperately to balance himself on a bicycle standing still. If he would only pedal like the devil and start forward his vexation would disappear. If he gave it momentum and a direction, he might run into something. He might have an accident. But he would certainly no longer be bored and he might possibly get somewhere.

—CHRISTIAN GAUSS, letter to a 1924 undergraduate, as quoted in *The Papers of Christian Gauss*, edited by KATHERINE GAUSS JACKSON and HIRAM HAYAN, (Random House).

AGE—2

An old lady went to the doctor on acc't of pain in her right leg. The doctor gave her some medicine and assured her that the pain came from old age. "That is nonsense!" she said. "My left leg is just as old as my right."—Dr FREDERIC WERTHAM, "Comics and Education: A Reply," *High Points*, 10-'57.

ART—3

Pablo Picasso, complimented on his "research" in painting, exclaimed: "I don't search, I find."—*Realites*.

ATHEISM—4

An atheist's most embarrassing moment is when he feels profoundly thankful for something, and can't think of anybody to thank for it.—*Nuggets*, hm, Barnes-Ross Co.

BEHAVIOR—5

Loneliness is not so much a matter of isolation as of insulation.—
Rev HAROLD W RUOPP, *Together*.

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Sure I love my neighbors as myself. I just set their requirements a little higher, that's all.—
BURTON HILLIS, *Better Homes & Gardens*.

CHRISTMAS—Aftermath—6

On the day after Christmas last yr, I boarded a bus in front of my office. It was fearfully crowded and I stood wedged into a niche behind the bus driver. When it was packed to capacity, a powerful, aggressive female started to leave. With unspeakable rudeness and irresistible force, she pushed thru the crowd in the aisle and reached the door as the passengers tried to get aboard.

"Get off that platform," she shrieked, "or I'll shove all of you into the street."

Quietly, I commented to the bus driver, "Christmas came yesterday."

His reply was a superb understatement: "Some people never knew it was here."—WM B LIPP-HARD, quoted in *News & Views*, hm, Caterpillar Tractor Co.

washington

By Les & Liz
Carpenter

Morocco's King Mohammed V, on recent visit here, became the 1st for'gn VIP (or in the new terminology DV, since Distinguished Visitor is replacing the wartime Very Important Person) to occupy the govt's newly-named, newly-redecorated "President's Guest House" — formerly known as Blair and Blair-Lee Houses. The two houses, long govt property, have been converted into a single residence. Protocol decided they should be designated as having an official connection with the President. Thus the new name. Remodeling had not been completed at the time Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip visited Washington. They were White House guests.

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The cocktail circuit is defining a hangover as "losing your head the night before and waking up with two of them the morning after."

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Former President Harry S Truman, one of the nation's best known piano players, tells Washington friends he is taking organ lessons. . . Hostess Gwen Cafritz, rushing to hear Dr Edw Teller, father of the hydrogen bomb, testify before an investigating group, telephoned a friend to cancel a luncheon date: "I can't think of eating," she said, "until I find out what Teller's telling!"

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CHURCH—7

Our houses of worship have become places for the social climbers and our congregations have become just crowds, like the patrons of a movie theater. . . The church should be a chamber of commerce in reverse and point up what is wrong in a community. The great sin of the church is to be so interested in serving those within it that it cannot serve the needs of those without.—Prof ALBERT T RASMUSSEN, of Colgate-Rochester Divinity School, addressing United Church of Canada's conf on evangelism.

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There are sections in the gospel that sound a little incongruous when spoken in a church luxuriating in "an abundance of things." Living too close to society, and not daring to condemn with too great vigor the sins to which it is itself given, the Church stands in danger that the time will come when (to paraphrase G K Chesterton) it can pick up a microphone and address the entire world—only to find it has nothing to say.—CHAS B TEMPLETON, *Evangelism for Tomorrow* (Harper).

CO-OPERATION—8

John Wesley once said to some people who were criticizing his methods, "If thy heart is as my heart, here is my hand." There is something of Christian virtue in the ability to work with those with whom we do not always agree. —ROY L SMITH, "There Were Shepherds in the Field," *Christian Herald*, 12-57.

DEMOCRACY—9

The number one principle of democracy is that even a wrong guy has rights.—*Supervision*.

book briefs...



QUOTE Dep't Editor Richard Armour has come forth with another book, *Twisted Tales From Shakespeare* (McGraw-Hill) which we are rather tardily noting. This is one of the most amusing of the lot (which is saying a lot!) We aren't going to give you excerpts; when you start quoting from an Armour opus there's literally no place to stop. Suffice it to say that the gifted author here presents an even half-dozen of Shakespeare's best-known plays in a new light, "the old light having blown a fuse." And the job lot is dedicated "To the memory of Shakespeare, which was certainly better than mine." For further mirth-making mots consult your book-vendor—without delay.

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Presumably authors attend autographing parties with the expectation of stimulating the sale of their tomes and thus, eventually, strengthening their respective bank-balances. Usually works out that way. But Lewis Nichols, in *N Y Times*, tells of an instance where one of these gala events threw an author for a loss. Max Shulman, autographing copies of *Rally Round the Flag, Boys!* at Wanamaker's became so enamoured of the desk on which he worked that he up and bought it!

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Several publishers of paperbacks are beginning to test the long-discussed idea of selling advertising space on covers. Thus far the ad-

Bookshop assistant, proffering new novel: "You can take it in your car, in your boat, on a camping trip—just like a portable radio set." — *Cambridge* (Eng) *Daily News*.

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vertisers have been limited to the book clubs and magazines. But if the idea works well, other advertisers may be approached.

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We find ourselves periodically amazed, and sometimes even amused, by the catholicity of tastes which are permanently perpetuated in volumes that come cascading from the nation's presses. A pr from this season's offerings may serve to illustrate. Apparently there are enough people who care enough about *Rattlesnakes: Their Habits, Life Histories and Influence on Mankind* to warrant Univ of California in bringing forth a handsome tome thus titled, at \$17.50 per copy. And, obviously, there must be another group who care considerably about the earth's more destructive eruptions. For this faction Harper is providing an authoritative work by G A Elby, appropriately titled, *About Earthquakes*.

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EDUCATION—10

In a society of free men, the proper aim of education is to prepare the individual to make wise decisions. All else is but contributory.—PAUL WOODRING, *A Fourth Nation* (McGraw-Hill).

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A mathematically illiterate mbr of soc'y is just as bad as one who is linguistically illiterate. Besides, the demand for mathematicians and scientists grows far beyond the presently available supply. — ANDREW F SCHOTT, Marquette Univ, "New Tools, Methods for their Use, and a New Curriculum in Arithmetic," *Arithmetic Teacher*, 11-'57.

FRIENDSHIP—11

An individual by himself is only half; the other half are his friends. —Very Rev J MILTON RICHARDSON, *Alpha XI Delta*.

FUTURE—12

If I were a cosmic gambler watching the earth from afar and studying the present behavior patterns of people and nations, I would be inclined to give rather substantial odds that sooner or later industrial civilization will perish in a nuclear holocaust. If I were to place bets upon the time in which this might happen, I would say almost certainly within the next century, quite possibly within the next twenty-five yrs, conceivably within the next five yrs. — HARRISON BROWN, Prof of Geochemistry, Cal Inst of Technology, "How Vulnerable Are We?" *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists*, 11-'57.

GOD—and Man—13

Man's discovery of God is the most wonderful story ever told, and whether he admits it to himself or not, his need for God is ever present.—CECIL B DE MILLE, quoted in *Wkly Unity*.

HAPPINESS—14

A woman who was noted for her sweet disposition said that she kept a "Pleasure Book." When asked what was in the book she show-

Quote scrap book

At the mature age of 80 (b Jan 6, 1878) CARL SANDBURG remains the charming non-conformist—a personification of a line he once wrote concerning "the marvelous rebellion of man at all signs reading 'Keep Off.'" Alive and alert to every nuance of the present moment, his philosophy is epitomized in a line from his poem, *Prairie*:

I tell you the past is a bucket of ashes.

ed it, and these are some of the entries that were read: "Saw a beautiful lily in a window." "Talked to a bright happy girl." "Rec'd a letter from a dear friend." "Enjoyed a beautiful sunset." "Had a precious season of private prayer." — Rev OLIVER G WILSON, editor, *Wesleyan Methodist*.

HEALTH—15

To keep the people of the U S healthy today, it takes: Some 210,000 doctors; nearly 7,000 hospitals with 1½ million beds, admitting 20 million patients a yr; about 400,000

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nurses; 86,000 dentists; 95,000 pharmacists—plus 300,000 assorted technicians, dieticians, oculists, medical social workers and others.

It costs, for medical care, an average of about 5% of the family income. The lower the income, the larger the percentage spent for personal health service. — *Health Information Service*.

HUMAN RELATIONS—16

There is no luxury with which one can surround one's self that is as warm as the sound of any human voice in the night. A cat may purr out and share happiness when you stroke it; a servant may religiously attend to your comforts out of regard for his salary; people may come when you call because of pity, or because the liquor's free, but only the genuine love of another can steel your heart against loneliness. — EARTHA KITT, "Fame Can Be Lonely," *Ebony*, 12-'57.

INDUSTRY—17

In American industry the investment necessary to create a job for one worker is \$17,000, as compared with around \$10,000 ten yrs ago.— *Behind the Scenes in American Business*.

INTELLIGENCE—18

It is a queer thing that in babies and small children we welcome joyfully every sign of that intelligence we so much distrust in adults. An intellectual baby, whose very gurgles prove to its judicial parents its strong powers of perception, is the pride of the family. But an intellectual candidate for the Presidency arouses serious doubts. — CLIFTON FADIMAN, *Any Number Can Play* (World).

A New Year's Wish

God bless your home and all therein;

God keep you well, day out, day in;

God make His love a light that cheers

Thru all the days.

Thru all the yrs.

God grant you vision when clouds rise

To see His rainbow in your skies;

And may God give in all you do

The gift of Happiness to you.

— *Mutual Moments*, hm, Mutual Benefit Health & Accident Ass'n. 19

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JUVENILE DELINQUENCY—20

To eliminate juvenile delinquency is not the work of a day, or of one person or group, nor is there anything sentimental about it. It is a long and difficult task to be approached in a serenely scientific manner with the co-operation of all the persevering citizens, gov'ts, and private agencies that can be mustered. — CLARA GONZALEZ DE BEHRINGER, "Why Juvenile Delinquency?" *Americas*, 11-'57.

LIFE—Living—21

Every yr I live I am more convinced that the waste of life lies in the love we have not given; the powers we have not used; the selfish prudence which will risk nothing and which, shrinking pain, misses happiness as well.—JOHN B TABB, *Wesleyan Methodist*.

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The Underwater Lake

For centuries men toyed with the idea of a submarine. As the Pilgrims were loading the Mayflower in 1620, a Dutchman, Cornelius van Drebel, in the employ of King James I, was bldg a vessel powered by 12 oarsmen. Submarines of a sort were employed in our Civil War.

But the father of the modern submarine is unquestionably SIMON LAKE, an American inventor. Lake blt a practical submarine before the turn of the century. As a feature of his demonstration he conducted a telephone conversation (Jan 6, 1898) from his submerged craft, off the coast of Md, with Wm T Malster, mayor of Baltimore, seated in his office. Lake tried unsuccessfully to interest the U S Navy; finally sold his model and four duplicate subs to Russia, for use in the Russo-Japanese War. Of his experiences with the Navy Lake wrote in his autobiography, *Submarine* (Apleton-Century):

I was not the only inventor to suffer (from the aloof attitude of official Washington). . .

Rob't Fulton was not recognized by his home gov't. . . Ericsson was laughed at by American military men and blt his 1st *Monitor* with private capital. . . The Browning and Lewis guns were refused here until France and England had proved them.

MIND—22

One reason why men and women lose their heads so often is that they use them so little! It is the same with everything. If we have anything valuable, it must be put to some sort of use. If a man's muscles are neglected, he soon has none, or rather none worth mentioning. The more the mind is used the more flexible it becomes, and the more it takes upon itself new interest. — GEO MATTHEW ADAMS, syndicated col.

MINORITY GROUPS—23

What a minority group wants is not the right to have geniuses among them, but the right to have fools and scoundrels without being condemned as a group. Every group has its wrongdoers. But when wrongdoers are identified with a group, their number is magnified in the minds of other people. Minorities would gladly give up the reflected glory of their great men if only the world didn't burden them with the ignominy of their scoundrels. Both great men and scoundrels belong to mankind as a whole, and mankind as a whole shares the sorrow as well as the honor.—AGNES ELIZABETH BENEDICT, *Jewish Digest*.

NEW YEAR—24

Make New Yr's resolutions if you like. But don't base them on the past—on small guilts or regrets. Base them on your own golden gamble with all the yrs ahead. — *Glamour*.

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The New Year is somewhat like a new baby—many changes will be necessary, some of which may be neglected.—*Counselor*, hm, Securities Acceptance Corp'n.

pathways to the past



Universal Wk of Prayer

Jan 5—Feast of St Simeon Stylites, founder of the pillar saints. (He lived 30 yrs on a pillar 60 ft high, 3 ft in diameter, surrounded by a railing). . . 65 yrs ago (1893) bill was introduced in Congress, establishing rural free delivery of mail . . . 55 yrs ago (1903) cable across the Pacific Ocean opened for service. . . 25 yrs ago (1933) construction began on Golden Gate Bridge, San Francisco. (1st bridge with piers sunk in open sea; 1st built across outer mouth of a major ocean harbor). . . 15th anniv (1943) d of Geo Washington Carver, American Negro agricultural chemist and educator.

Jan 6—Feast of Epiphany ("Epiphany" from the Greek, means "manifestation." Applies to manifestation of Jesus as the Christ). . . *Twelfth Night Revels* (marks close of Advent season). . . 120 yrs ago (1838) Sam'l F B Morse demonstrated his telegraph for 1st time in a factory room at Morristown, N J. . . Carl Sandburg, American poet and biographer of Lincoln, is 80 today. . . 60 yrs ago (1898) Simon Lake, inventor of practical submarine, became 1st person to talk by telephone from a vessel under water (see GEM Box).

Jan 7—240th anniv (1718) b of Israel Putnam, key figure in American Revolution. . . 40 yrs ago (1898) Nikolai Lenin abolished constituent assembly in Russia; established dictatorship of proletariat

. . . 5 yrs ago (1953) Pres Harry S Truman announced U S development of hydrogen bomb: "From now on, man moves into a new era of destructive power."

Jan 8—The 1st bronze equestrian statue ever cast was Clark Mills' memorial to Gen Andrew Jackson, unveiled at Washington, D C 105 yrs ago (1853). It was cast from cannon captured by Jackson in War of 1812.

Jan 9—85 yrs ago (1873) Victoria Woodhull, fiery newspaper editor, threw Cooper Institute, N Y C, into an uproar in a speech charging Rev Henry Ward Beecher with adultery. (Beecher was later sued by Theodore Tilton, lecturer, for alienation of his wife's affections. Jury disagreed and the case was dropped. Beecher continued the most popular preacher of his day.)

Jan 10—30 yrs ago (1928) Leon Trotsky, one of chief architects of Soviet Union, ordered into exile by Communist Politburo.

Jan 11 — 80 yrs ago (1878) a Brooklyn, N Y milkman, Alexander Campbell, began delivering milk in glass bottles. Up to that time purchasers brought containers and milkman ladled out the quantity desired.

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'of all things'



While it is generally conceded that persons who hold tentative reservations for pilgrimages to outer space will have a long wait, scientists are reducing their estimates of time req'd for such pilgrimages.

Addressing annual meeting of American Rocket Society in N Y C last wk Dr Krafft A Ehrick, of Convair Astronautics, est'd that a round-trip to Mars could be made in 500 days, possibly in 350 days. He expressed belief we may be able to undertake the trip in 15 yrs.

Meanwhile, in Washington, Rep Walter Rogers (D-Tex) expressed sympathy for a man recently hustled off to a mental institution in Nebraska. This chap contended he had not only seen a flying saucer, but had talked with persons from another planet.

"His mistake," said Rogers, "was that he stuck to his story. I had always thought that people got into trouble for not telling a story the same way each time. Seems this is old-fashioned. Now, as the psychiatrists see it, if you tell a story the same way every time you have a fixation and are subject to confinement in a mental institution."

In the light of these disclosures, Rogers warned constituents: "If you see a flying saucer, the only safe course is to say nothing."

NEW YEAR—25

The commonest simile in connection with the new yr is a book with blank pages. Nature's yr is also a book to be written. The mid-winter time represents a pause in the turning wheel of life. . . All the events of spring and summer and autumn, of sprouting and growth and seed time, the beginning and the end lie ahead. The whole circle of the seasons stretches away before us as we view the yr from the cold plateau of January. — EDWIN WAY TEALE, *Circle of the Seasons* (Dodd).

OPINION—26

Making up your mind is like making a bed, it usually helps to have someone on the other side.—*Whatsoever Things*, Stetson Univ.

POLITICS—27

Some go into politics not to do good, but to do well. — *American Mercury*.

PROBLEM—Solution—28

Not long ago at the Douglas missile plant in California, learned experts pondered long over the problem of finding leaks of helium gas, used to control pressures inside their giant creation, the *Thor*.

Solution: An application of bubble-gum.—*Wall St Jnl*.

RECREATION—29

My lazy bone has always responded to that story of the farmer who defended himself for going fishing so much. "Look at this map of the world," he said. "It shows the earth is 2/3 water and only 1/3 dry land. That means a fellow should fish 2/3 of his time and farm only 1/3."—WHEELER McMILLEN, *Farm Jnl*.

RUSSIA—America—30

Soviet Russia today has its Sputniks and also has one of the lowest living standards in the world.

America lacks a Sputnik for the moment, but enjoys one of the world's highest standards of living.

If Americans would be content to get by with the living standard of Soviet Russia, or that of nearly any other nat'n on earth, they could acquire, in short order, dozens of Sputniks, lots of manned earth satellites, space platforms, other devices of a space age. — *Newsweek*.

SALESMANSHIP—31

Not one person in a thousand knows a good thing when he sees it, and, without salesmanship and advertising, we would still be a nat'n of bicyclists. — *R & R Mag*, hm, Ins Research & Review Service.

SEXES—32

If equality of the sexes is ever achieved, it will take men some time to get accustomed to their new rights. — *Cumberland (Wis) Advocate*.

TACT—33

Never help an old lady across the street—escort her. — *Parts Pups*, hm, Genuine Parts Co, Atlanta.

THOUGHT—34

Thoughts are like magnets. You can draw into your life by being in a negative and pessimistic frame of mind, just as you can attract happiness and success to yourself by thinking in a hopeful and constructive way.—*FAITH FORSYTE, Tit-Bits*, London.

Mr. Q's column



Advertisers and their ag'ts are concerned, as they well may be, over the current municipal trend to levy a special tax on all forms of advertising. Baltimore has just assessed a 4% tax on the advertiser and an add'l 2% tax on the medium, covering all forms of advertising — newspaper, localized magazine, radio, television, billbds, etc. In St. Louis, at this writing, the Bd of Aldermen plan to vote on similar measure.

One of the problems of American hospitals is the fantastic increase in the use of blood transfusions in surgery and in various types of convalescence. Professional donors can not meet the demand. The *Walking Blood Bank* (pioneered by Abbott Laboratories some eight yrs ago) is now widely used. Under this plan, featuring the slogan, "I'll Come When You Call," citizens agree to give a pint of blood when there's an emergency need for their special type. In ret'n, they are assured transfusions if and as needed. A complication, heretofore, has been that fresh blood can be stored for only 21 days. Last wk spokesmen at a conv of American Ass'n of Blood Banks promised relief in the form of a dependable quick-freezing process.

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GOOD STORIES

you can use...



A terribly jealous woman used to submit her husband to a regular inspection every evening. The slightest hair discovered on his coat would lead to the most frightful of scenes.

One night, finding nothing at all, she burst into tears and wept: "Even bald women, now!"—*Constellation* (Paris). a

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In Paris. Two reporters had just returned from Moscow and were telling their friends about it. "I was amazed at conditions there," began one. "Total prosperity, every house a veritable palace, every worker living like a king."

His fellow-reporter gave him a long look, then protested: "What are you talking about? I didn't see anything like that!"

"No, you wouldn't," repl'd the first. "You spent all your time running around town instead of reading those fascinating newspapers."—*Pourquoi Pas?* Brussels (QUOTE translation). b

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The cab driver looked disappointed when the Scot handed him the exact fare. "That's correct, ain't it?" queried the Scot. "Yes, it's correct," ans'd the cabby, "but it ain't right!"—*EUGENE P BERTIN, Pennsylvania School Jnl.* c

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I Laughed At This One

ETHEL M RICE

Soon after mother had tucked four-yr-old Sonny into bed, came the call, "Mother, I'd like a drink of water, please."

"You've already had your drink, dear. Go to sleep."

A minute elapsed. "Mother, please, I'd like a drink of water."

"Go to sleep, Sonny."

Three minutes passed. "Mother, God knows everything, doesn't he?"

"Yes, dear."

"Well," deep sigh, "God knows that I want a drink of water!"

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The woman had gone to the welfare office to request financial assistance for herself and her 13 children. "There's just one thing I can't understand," commented the welfare worker as he gathered her papers together after having studied them. "You list your husband as the father of your children, you say that he left you 10 yrs ago, and yet 8 of your children are less than 10 yrs old."

"Oh," repl'd the woman, beaming, "he comes back every once in a while to ask forgiveness."—*Revue, Munich* (Quote translation). d

Jas T Cleland of the Duke Divinity School told me of a Scotsman who listened to his preacher explain that Satan did not exist. Being uncertain that he had heard correctly, the man waited after the sermon. "You say," he asked the minister, "you say you don't believe in the devil?"

"That's right. There's no such person," the minister told him.

Sadly the man turned away, muttering, "I feel like I've lost a personal friend."—RUSSELL DICKS, *Meet Joe Ross* (Abingdon). e

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"What I mean is," explained the insurance salesman to a bewildered rural prospect, "how would your wife carry on if you should die?"

"Well," answered the farmer reasonably, "I don't reckon that's any concern of mine—as long as she behaves herself while I'm alive."—E E KENYON, *American Wkly.* f

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Duffy Daugherty in the rough: "I'm a Civil War golfer: Out in 61 and back in 65."—*Scholastic Coach.*

" "

On my list of New Year's resolutions was: "Be more patient with my son, Tom. No matter how irritating he is, remember that he is only 16 and going thru an exasperating period of adolescence."

Imagine my feeling when, quite by accident, I came across Tom's New Year's resolutions and saw at the head of the list: "Try to be more patient with Dad."—ERNEST BLEVINS. h

*Those New Year resolutions
I made a year ago
Were noble declarations
Of good intent, and so,
To prove that I am a sincere,
Well-meaning citizen,
I'll just patch up the pieces
And use them once again!*

—S OMAR BARKER.

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*New Year Resolution: Something
that proves most of our weaknesses
are too strong for us.* — FRANCES
RODMAN.

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*The average family man greets
the New Year with bills on.*—MAR-
JORIE MURCH STANLEY.

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*New Year Resolutions
Altho it seems quite weak
To make and straightway break
them,
It's even weaker still
To never even make them.*
— MARCELENE COX, *Ladies' Home
Jnl.*

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*What a deafening crash
They would be making
If we could hear
Resolutions breaking!*
—LOUISE DARCY, *Grit.*

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*A thought for The Morning Af-
ter: Quoth the craven, "Never-
more!"*

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An occasion you might possibly overlook—so we'll jog your memory: A few days hence we shall be celebrating the 20th anniv of the Bixby Dep't Store Award of Merit to Horatio Toppleton, the only charge-acc't customer in history who didn't ret'n a single Christmas Gift item for exchange. Quizzed on his remarkable record, Toppleton just explained: "Nobody gave me nothin'."

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They had been married for almost 5 yrs but he was still extremely jealous: "It's outrageous! Every time you see a handsome man you forget that you're married!"

"On the contrary, my dear. . . That's when I remember it especially." — *Pourquoi Pas?* Brussels (QUOTE translation).

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The man on the St Kilda tram nudged us and drew our att'n to a picture in his newspaper. "Get on to that!" he invited.

We found ourselves studying a photo of a lavishly proportioned model wearing an off-the-shoulder evening gown cut to ultra low lines.

We leered in sympathy with the man and agreed that it was a shade overdone. Our wife, we added, took a poor view of plunging neckline dresses. We went on to say that she regarded them as stupid and vulgar—if not indecent. She said she wouldn't wear one in any circumstances.

The man nodded and sighed. "Yes," he said, "my wife's the skinny type, too." — *Digest of World Reading*, Melbourne, Australia.

A lady entered a ry coach and took a seat in front of a newly married couple. She was hardly seated before they began making remarks about her. Her last yr's bonnet and coat were fully criticized with more or less giggling on the bride's part, and there is no telling what might have come next if the lady had not put a sudden stop to their conversation.

She turned her head, noticed that the bride was considerably older than the groom, and said: "Madam, will you please ask your son to close the window?"

The "son" closed his mouth, and the bride no longer giggled. — *Tracks*, hm, Chesapeake & Ohio Ry.

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Jim planned a fishing trip with one of his neighbors, a young Chinese with the unoriginal nickname of Charlie, who, tho thoroughly Americanized in everything else, was still a bit reckless with the English language.

At the last minute, however, Charlie came over to say he couldn't make it. "Something came down," he explained.

Jim chuckled. "You mean, 'came up,' Charlie."

Charlie grinned ruefully. "No, down. Wife's foot." — *Capper's Wkly.*

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"Bobby," said the teacher sternly, "do you know you have broken the 8th Commandment by stealing Jimmy's apple?"

"Well," explained Bobby, "I might just as well break the 8th and have the apple as to break the 10th and only covet it." — *Just Middleton*, Middletown (Ky) Rotary Club.

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Script Tease

The latest toy, a kit called the "Script Analyzer," enables a child to interpret handwriting and determine qualities in, for example, his parents.—News item.

Junior who's been none the wiser,
May, with this new Script Analyzer,
Discover I, the big, brave fellow,
Am really chicken, craven, yellow,
And that it's doubtful, to be candid,
I licked the Germans single-handed.

He may, by scientific scrutiny,
Have doubts that I put down a
mutiny
Or had the courage, as I've told
him
(Oh, what a bill of goods I've sold
him),
To brave the redskin brave, Chief
Weejun,
Or lead the dashing Foreign Legion.

Oh, what if Junior, thus equipped,
Finds how I cried when I was
whipped,
And how I hated nasty medicine
And didn't (honest, it was Edison)
Invent the light, the phonograph?
I hate to hear his scornful laugh.

What shall I do? At once, tight-
lipped,
I'll search for every scrap of script,
Then burn my letters, lest he swipe
them,
And henceforth, to play safe, I'll
type them.

Jean Kerr, whose new book, *Please Don't Eat the Daisies* (Doubleday) relates many anecdotes of her young brood tells one which, it chances, is not a Kerr coinage. A young matron of Mrs Kerr's acquaintance tried on a new gown and asked her 12-yr-old daughter for an opinion. The girl was ecstatic. "Mother," she cried, "you look just like a princess—an old princess!"—MAURICE DOLBIER, N Y Herald-Tribune. o

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A sarcastic English prof at a Texas college, disgusted at the poor spelling of his students, has adopted this new set of grade designations:

"A means Axceptional."

"C means Catisfactory."

"P means Phlunking."—Capper's Wkly. p

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The difference between a neurotic, a psychotic, and a psychiatrist: The neurotic blds castles in the air, the psychotic lives in them, and the psychiatrist collects rent on them.—Nat'l Safety News. q

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"I need a job, Senator," said the man from his home state.

The Senator thought for a moment. "Well, I'll tell you," he said, "there aren't any jobs, but here's what I'll do. I'll get up a comm to investigate why there are no jobs, and you can be the head of that, with a salary beginning at ten thousand a yr."—Wisconsin Jnl of Education. r

Quote-ettes

ADLAI STEVENSON, on the renaissance of the intellectual: "The egg-heads are returning to prominence—thank God!" 1-Q-t

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Dodo, star strip-teaser of Paris, in an interview with ART BUCHWALD, of the N Y Herald-Tribune: "I don't want to remain a strip-teaser forever. It's not that I don't like strip-tease. But what can you do after you've taken all of your clothes off?" 2-Q-t

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After Christmas, we always have to put everything back together, so to speak. Here are some easy-on-the-after - Christmas - budget items to help.

Do you have marble-topped furniture? A special liquid cleaner used by professionals is now available for home use. Cleans, polishes and stain-proofs marble table-tops and slabs. \$2 for 6 oz. If not available at your furniture store, write Document House, P O Box 242, Greenwich, Conn.

Do your share our fondness for cedar-lined closets? A compound of crushed red cedar wood and

aromatic cedar oil mixes with water, goes on like paint to line closets drawers or chests. Covers cracks, dries to a thin layer. Five-lb bag makes a gal. \$5.95. Again, try your favorite store, or write to Jayhawk Sales Co, 3644 Clare St. Topeka, Kans.

Did Christmas shopping wear out the lining of your shopping cart? New one in plastic or sanforized duck comes in several colors and designs, fits all standard-make carts. \$1.29 to \$2.98. Available locally or from Dennis Mitchell Industries, 4424 Paul St, Philadelphia.

